

# ESTABROOK UPDATE

Joseph Estabrook Elementary School, 117 Grove Street, Lexington, MA

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Principal: Martha Batten

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Thank you to all of the parents who are working with us to make the arrival and dismissal safer and more efficient. As a reminder, do NOT arrive before 12:10 P.M. or 3:10 P.M. unless you are parking your car in the parking lot. If you do arrive early for live pickup, PLEASE, do not use the parking lot or the rotary as a waiting area. Either (1) park and walk to pick up your child or (2) leave the school grounds and return when it is the correct time. When cars try to cut in to the pickup line from the rotary, it is frustrating and it slows *everyone* down.

**January 11 -- Family Movie Night!** Mark your calendars now for the Estabrook PTA Family Movie Night! Come join us in the gym on January 11th at 6:00pm to watch the Disney/Pixar movie (rated G) about a French rat with gourmet taste buds. It promises to be a fun night for all. We'll provide the popcorn & you bring your coziest picnic blanket or sleeping bag. Best of all, it's free!

**From the Nurse** There has been a second occurrence of a mother of an Estabrook student being diagnosed with Pertussis (whooping cough). The child (in grade 3) does have a cough so is being treated as a probable case and will be out of school until 5 days of antibiotics have been given. Please refer to the Listserv letter that I sent out on 12/12/07, for detailed information about Pertussis including who is a close contact, who is a "high risk" individual and what symptoms to watch for. Feel free to call me at 781-861-2520 if you need further information. - Kathy Johnson RN BSN

**Volunteer Needed:** Estabrook library books sometimes get returned to Cary Library by mistake. Estabrook needs a volunteer to check in with Cary every couple weeks to return anything that may be there. Please contact Jennifer Kuhn ([jkuhn@sch.ci.lexington.ma.us](mailto:jkuhn@sch.ci.lexington.ma.us)) if you visit Cary regularly and would be willing to do this.

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subscribe estabrook-announcements  
end

Please note that the Estabrook Update will be sent via listserv, unless you have requested a paper copy (which will be sent home in your child's backpack).

## **Calendar**

### **January**

- 9 Capoeira: Afro Brazilian Martial Arts, 9:30-11:30 A.M.  
Site Council Meeting, 4-5 P.M.
- 10 1/2 Day-Professional Development
- 11 Coffee with Ms. Batten, 9-10 A.M. in the Lextended Day Room. Topic: *What is a Professional Learning Community?*  
Movie Night, 6-9 P.M.
- 14 AntiBias Meeting, 6-7 P.M.
- 16 3rd Grade Field Trip, 9 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
- 17 Winter Concert for families, 9 A.M.
- 18 Snow date for winter concert.
- 21 NO SCHOOL-Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- 23 Band Night-5th Grade, 7:30-8:30 P.M.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Olympiads every Tuesday @8 A.M.

4<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Olympiads every Thursday @ 8 A.M.